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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)  
FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated September 18, 2002. With the extension, a response is due on or before February 19, 2003 (the United States Patent and Trademark Office being officially closed on February 18, 2003). A check in the amount of \$410.00, in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2), is enclosed herewith.

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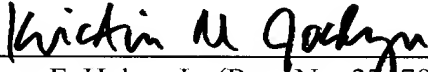
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The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed herewith.

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